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(C) Poloff delivered reftel points to Deputy Foreign Minister Labeed Abbawi on November 2. Abbawi responded positively to Michael Matheson's prior experience on the International Law Commission and promised to review his biography. Abbawi stated that he did not think there would be a problem supporting his candidacy, although he would provide an official response after reviewing his qualifications. Post will follow up.
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